June 15, 2006

Federal Trade Commission/Office of the Secretary, Room H-135 (Annex W) 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20580 RE: Business Opportunity Rule, R511993

Dear Sir or Madam;

In regards to the proposed Business Opportunity Rule R511993, as it is currently worded it could very well be the end of my being an Independent Sunrider Distributor. While I do understand that there are many deceptive practices out there that take unfair advantage of the public, putting all of us in the same boat is very undemocratic indeed!

One of the biggest hassles of this proposal is the fact that I would have to wait seven days before I could sponsor someone to start enjoying their foods or new business opportunity. Considering the cost of our Starter Pack is a mere \$140 and is not mandatory to proceed in this business I think I will be put at a very unfair disadvantage. That would make people become suspicious of Sunrider as a whole. To think that I would have to keep immaculate records as to the time and date that I spoke to someone about Sunrider and keep track of how many days had passed before they could sign up is ludicrous! Why must we continue to make legitimate businesses pay the price for unscrupulous dealings?

The biggest outrage with this proposal is the fact that we would be required to disclose personal information of other Distributors. As you well know these are dangerous times and to think that our government would even suggest such a thing to business people who take pride in their business is mind blowing!

I have been an Independent Sunrider Distributor for only two years, but the freedom to work from my home while raising our children has been a blessing indeed. The incredible difference that these products have made in my family's health is so outstanding that I want to share these products with the world! The fact that this has also turned into a source of income for my family is an added bonus. Now that we have become dependent on this income, I can't imagine losing it because of a rule that our government put into place to deal with unreputable companies. There are companies out there such as Sunrider International that pride themselves on being honest and full of integrity, how else can a company be in such good standing and have a 24 year old history?

I do appreciate the fact that the FTC is in existence to protect unsuspecting people, however I believe that this proposal has far reaching negative results. I have no doubt that there are better ways to achieve your goals and that you will come up with a solution.

Thank you for reading my comments,
Sincerely,

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